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Item 1 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

1. In accordance with decision 7 adopted by the Preparatory Committee at its organizational session held in May 1998, the Committee decided that its work should be open to the participation of non-governmental organizations which were accredited in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 and decisions 1996/208 and 1996/315.

2. The Committee further decided that non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and on the Roster will be invited to participate in its meetings. In addition, other non-governmental organizations that were accredited to the World Summit for Social Development or other major United Nations conferences will be invited to apply for accreditation to the Committee. The Secretary-General is requested to provide to Member States, in a timely fashion, a list of the latter non-governmental organizations for review.

3. The organizations listed in the annex represent those which were accredited to the Summit and other major United Nations conferences and are in the process of applying for consultative status with the Council. The Secretariat recommends to the Committee the accreditation of the 10 non-governmental organizations listed.

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Annex

1. All Africa Students Union

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Membership: international

AASU is a trade-union striving to improve the condition of students throughout Africa. It has developed a network of student associations to work with governmental agencies and academic institutions through negotiations.

2. CIETinternational (Community Information & Epidemiological Technologies)

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Membership: international

CIET is an international group of non-profit, non-governmental organizations dedicated to building the community voice into planning and good governance. By involving people at the community level in information-gathering and analysis on a wide variety of social and development issues, CIET helps them to participate in decisions that affect their lives.

3. DECA Equipo Pueblo, A.C.

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Membership: national

This organization has been working on issues relating to social development for many years. It is part of a coordination of Mexican NGOs involved in the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action. DECA Equipo Pueblo and other interested NGOs are producing an alternative report on social, economic and cultural rights in Mexico.

4. Freedom from Debt Coalition

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Membership: national

This is a coalition of more than 3000 civil society organizations and individuals working on major advocacy issues such as fiscal, monetary and trade policies. It also deals with debt issues, and multilateral financial institutions; access, delivery and regulation of public utilities and social services; and the development and regulation of trade and finance, as well as public policies on labour and work.

5. Pakistan Myasthenic Welfare Organization

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Membership: national

This organization strives to improve the condition of patients of myasthenia gravis through the provision of health-care and social services, particularly to poor patients.

6. Projekta (Foundation for Women and Development Services)

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Membership: national

Projekta is a non-profit women and development organization working to strengthen gender-based social development processes for national development. It was instrumental in raising awareness of social development issues prior to the World Summit for Social Development, and organized the only seminar on the subject for both NGOs and government representatives at the Summit.

7. Red de Education Popular entre Mujeres

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Membership: international

This organization contributes to the strengthening of the people's movement in Latin America, from a theoretical and practical point of view, with a gender perspective.

8. Samewerkingsverband Mensen Betaald Werk (Association of People without Paid Work)

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This is a grass-roots organization. Its aim is to improve the economic and social condition of people living on or under minimum wages. The Association's target groups are unemployed people, industrially disabled women and the working poor.

9. Triglav Circle

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The Circle brings together experts, scholars, researchers and professionals from diverse academic backgrounds and intellectual traditions united by a common endeavour: working towards promoting a holistic concept of sustainable development that takes into account all its profound and complex dimensions. The Circle sees development as the result of the genesis of humankind, and puts emphasis on the spiritual essence of development.

10. Women for Change

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Membership: national

The mission of this organization is to work primarily with rural communities, using gender analysis as a foundation for women's empowerment and social change. It uses popular education methods to encourage people to analyse critically the issues that are of concern to them.